THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) to (d) The Government intend to introduce a legislative proposal at the earliest to regulate the entry and operation of foreign education institutions, with such consultations as are considered necessary.

Students opting for higher education abroad

1984. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that more and more students are moving out of India to acquire higher education abroad;

(b) what is India's ranking in the quality of higher education in the world;

(c) whether it is due to the fact that the standard of education particularly technical and speciality is somewhat lower than that available abroad; and

(d) if so, the steps taken/being taken to improve the quality of higher and technical education to advanced world class standard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) No such information is being maintained, Centrally.

(b) to (d) There is no internationally accepted survey of institutes of higher education.

Admission to students from Urdu schools

1985. SHRI KAMAL AKHTAR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether as a result of low pass percentage in Urdu schools, admission of students in colleges has declined;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) if so, whether non-availability of books in Urdu language has been the main reason for the poor performance of Urdu students/schools; and

(d) if so, the steps taken or being taken by Government to pay special attention to Urdu schools in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) As per a report prepared by Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE), the pass percentage in CBSE affiliated Urdu medium schools in Delhi at class XII level Board examination in 2006 (77.90%) was comparable to the overall average for CBSE affiliated schools (79.55%). Pass percentages of Urdu medium schools affiliated to the State Boards are not maintained at the Central level.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Teaching system in Urdu speaking States

1986. SHRI KAMALAKHTAR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have identified any region of Urdu speaking States where teaching systems in Urdu medium is not being properly applied;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) whether Government propose to provide Central assistance for the recruitment of Urdu teachers in such regions;

(d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(e) the existing number of Urdu teaching institutions, State-wise; and

(f) the total funds disbursed by Government for these institutions during the year 2004-05?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The Ministry of Human Resource Development implements a scheme called "Appointment of Language Teachers" where in 100% assistance is given to State Governments for appointment of language teachers including Urdu.

(d) State-wise details for the Xth Plan are given in the Statement (*See* below).

(e) and (f) Government does not maintain data of this nature.